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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 671

Introduced by Assembly Member Corbett (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Ridley-Thomas)

February 19, 2003

An act to amend Section 7587.1 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to private security services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 671, as amended, Corbett. Licensing.

Existing law, the Private Security Services Act, establishes the Bureau of Security and Investigative Services within the Department of Consumer Affairs that is responsible for the licensing, registration, and regulation of private security officers. Existing law authorizes the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs to deny, suspend, or revoke a private patrol operator license based on specified criteria.

This bill would additionally authorize the director to deny, suspend, or revoke a license if the licensee has been convicted of any offense or has been determined to have violated any law by an appropriate court or administrative entity that the director believes demonstrates an inability of the licensee to protect consumers or violated any federal or state law or regulation regarding labor or employment or has been the subject of a complaint filed by the National Labor Relations Board.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7587.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7587.1. Notwithstanding Section 477, a firearm qualification card and a baton permit shall be considered a license subject to the terms of this section.

Notwithstanding the assessment or payment of fines for any violations of this chapter, the director may deny, suspend, or revoke a license issued under this chapter if he or she determines that the licensee or his or her manager, if an individual, or if the 10 licensee is a person other than an individual, that any of its officers, directors, partners, or its manager, has:

- (a) Made any false statement or given any false information in connection with an application for a license or a renewal or reinstatement of a license.
 - (b) Violated any provisions of this chapter.
- (c) Violated any rule of the director adopted pursuant to the authority contained in this chapter.
- (d) Committed any act or crime constituting grounds for denial of licensure under Section 480, including illegally using, carrying, or possessing a deadly weapon.
- (e) Impersonated, or permitted or aided and abetted an employee to impersonate a law enforcement officer or employee of the United States of America, or of any state or political subdivision thereof.
- (f) Committed or permitted any employee to commit any act, while the license was expired which would be cause for the suspension or revocation of a license, or grounds for the denial of an application for a license.
- (g) Willfully failed or refused to render to a client services or a report as agreed between the parties and for which compensation has been paid or tendered in accordance with the agreement of the parties.
- (h) Committed assault, battery, or kidnapping, or used force or violence on any person, without proper justification.
- (i) Knowingly violated, or advised, encouraged, or assisted the violation of any court order or injunction in the course of business as a licensee.
 - (j) Acted as a runner or capper for any attorney.

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(k) Been convicted of a violation of Section 148 of the Penal Code.

- (*l*) Committed any act which is a ground for denial of an application for a license under this chapter.
- (m) Committed any act prohibited by Chapter 1.5 (commencing with Section 630) of Title 15 of Part 1 of the Penal Code.
- (n) Purchased, possessed, or transported any tear gas weapon except as authorized by law. A violation of this subdivision may be punished by the suspension of a license for a period to be determined by the director.
- (o) Been convicted of a violation of Section 95.3 of the Penal Code.
- (p) Been convicted of any other offense, or violated any other state, local, or federal law, including, but not limited to, laws regarding health and safety, labor and employment, or wage and hours, as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or an administrative proceeding, that, in the opinion of the director, indicates that the licensee is unable to effectively protect consumers according to the requirements of this chapter.
- (p) Been convicted of or violated any federal statute or federal regulation or any state statute or regulation regulating labor and employment or has been the subject of a complaint filed by the National Labor Relations Board pursuant to Section 160 of Title 29 of the United States Code.